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Class of 1937 Held Reunion

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The Appomattox High School Class of 1937 held its 40th Class Reunion on Saturday evening, June 25th at the John Mosby Inn Restaurant. Guests of the graduates were their husbands/wives and Mrs. Helene Welch Harvey, teacher and their class sponsor.

The planning committee consisted of Mrs. Edna B. Anderson, Mrs. Dorothy O'Brien Perkins, and Dr. Merwyn Williamson. Mistress of Ceremonies was Mrs. Dorothy Perkins and Dr. Williamson gave the Invocation before dinner.

Eighteen of the graduates from the class of forty-three were present. They were Edna Blackwell Anderson, Floyd C. Coleman, Hazel Lee Coleman Martin, Isabelle Marshall Coleman, James Ralph Coleman, Thelma Covington Bettoli, Edythe Martin Megginson, Miss Margaret Moon, Catherine Goin Minter, Maurice E. Gordon, Dorothy O'Brien Perkins, Maynard Y. O'Brien, Vernelle Page Bellon, Samuel Wiley Richardson, Annie Torrence Elliott, Nannie Sue Watson Tyon, Mae Webb Wright, and Dr. Merwyn W. Williamson.

Other guests were Miss Cecil Torrence of Farmville, Mrs. Katherine Carson of Spout Spring, and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Richardson.

Everyone enjoyed the fellowship of being together and voted to have another reunion in 1982.

Letter To The Editor

June 15, 1977

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Appomattox, Va. 24522
Dear Editor:

On the eve of my reassignment in extension, I should like to say a few things about your Appomattox County Extension Office.

This county is indeed served by professionals who take their work seriously. During my association with this office, I have observed some of the most dedicated persons I have had the pleasure to work with. This unit continually meets the needs of its citizens by encouraging and using citizen input in developing programs to meet the needs that have been observed and expressed.

The results, which are measurable in any number of ways, are very clear. The unit is a consistent contributor to the Times-Virginian with two weekly columns and numerous articles on events that are being conducted by Extension and also timely news items. The staff uses the radio resources often and also TV for conducting extension programs. In addition, the total 4-H program involves many young people. These 4-H'ers have contributed their skills in participating in 4-H events and activities. Because of this contribution, Appomattox 4-H'ers are achieving outstanding results. The continuous display of talent in completing successful projects is evidence of the leadership provided by volunteer leaders and Extension Agents.

The agricultural and home economics programs are certainly some of the most respected programs in the entire state. The working relationship between the county office and the state staff of specialists at Va. Tech and Va. State certainly is impressive. This is shown on so many occasions because of the continued use of these specialists at the county level. One very impressive example is the visit to each dairy farm in the entire county by one of the state dairy specialist along with A. A. Smith, Agricultural Agent. As in the 4-H program, many of the ideas used in this area are continued as examples in other counties. The strongest assets of these two programs, and also the 4-H program, are: 1. The knowledge and professional competence of each agent; 2. The ability to effectively organize and conduct quality extension programs that fulfill the expressed needs of this county's citizens; 3. The innate ability to see programs through to their evaluation and re-programming. This county is extremely fortunate to be served by such a capable staff. But then, the staff is fortunate to have such a good citizenry to work with.

Thanks,
Elmore P. Jordan
Extension Agent

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WHOM TO FEAR

In the Chinese Rebellion at the turn of the century, a woman missionary was among several condemned to death. When the executioner came to behead her, she knelt before him as ordered. But as she knelt, she looked into that Chinese face and smiled.

The man stopped. Then he seemed to reflect her smile. He stepped back a few steps. And then he and his fellow executioners ran away, leaving the missionaries alone. As the leader joined his men, he said to this missionary that 'she could not die. She was immortal.

A look of fear would have brought instant death to this woman. Evidently her smile in the face of death seemed supernatural. Obviously she was confident that the same Lord who had been with her in the past was with her still. She could live the present with joy and face the future with hope in her God.

The most important response in life is the faith commitment to God in Christ. When we place our trust in Him, we do not have to fear anything on earth or beyond the grave. However, the willful sinner who rejects Christ has real problems to face. Matthew 10:28 says, "And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell." (RSV)

It is most important that you accept Jesus Christ into your heart and life now! In Christ you know that nothing can take you out of God's hand. Then you can joyfully and freely bless the Lord.

Thank you, Father, for giving us the ability to know peace and freedom from fear through Jesus Christ our Lord. In His Name. Amen.

H. Doyle Chauncey
Liberty Baptist Church

THE BIBLE SPEAKS

International Uniform Sunday School Lessons

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AFTER THE CELEBRATION

Lesson for July 3, 1977

Background Scriptures:
Exodus 19 through 20;
Deuteronomy 10 through 12
Devotional Reading:
Deuteronomy 6: 4-15.

Rev. Althouse

The story of Exodus did not end the victory celebration. When the people of Israel had sung their songs and danced their dances, there was still something important to follow. After the celebration came the **covenant**.

The covenant of God with Israel brings to our minds the laws God gave to the people as they wandered in the wilderness. But the covenant was more than just laws, more even than the Ten Commandments. The word **covenant** denotes an agreement, but the agreement itself denotes a relationship. What God was proposing to the tribes of Israel was a unique and significant relationship.

You have seen....

It was a relationship that was founded upon what God had already done for them. God did not first come to the Hebrews with commandments; he came first with saving acts and liberation. It was only after God had freed the people of Israel that he came to them with commandments. So, he begins by reminding them of **what he has done**: "You have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself" (Exodus 19:4).

It is on this same basis that God comes to us, both as individuals and as a nation. Corporately, he says to America, "You have seen what I did..." And we have seen what God has done in and through this nation. Despite our failures and faults as a nation, despite the incompleteness of our American dream, candor forces us to acknowledge that God has done great things with our nation.

It is a cliche to say that Americans don't appreciate their freedom until they go somewhere else and realize the value of what they have. Yet, cliche or not, it is true. I have traveled in countries where people are not free, where the police state hems ominously behind every wall, around every corner. I have been behind the Iron Curtain and I have never stepped through that gate without uttering a spontaneous sigh of relief. Yes, we can see what God has done—if we will open our eyes.

You shall be.....

When he has reminded the people of Israel of what they have seen him do, then he says: "Now therefore, if you will obey my voice and keep my commandments..." (19:5). God does not arbitrarily make demands upon us, but appeals to us to obey him **because of what he has already done** for us. "Now therefore," because God has dealt with us so abundantly, he also calls us to obey his voice and keep his commandments.

There is also a future tense to the covenant for God also speaks of what he will do in the days ahead. In the case of the Hebrews, the promise of the future was the land of Canaan, the Promised Land that would be their heritage. To the Church of Jesus Christ it is the promise of God's Kingdom. And to each of us there is the promise that God's purpose for us will be fulfilled if we will walk in his ways and listen to his voice.

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"I'll Go Where You Want Me To Go"

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nurse she will be caring for people who have Hansen's Disease (or leprosy patents). To Hazel, the people of Nigeria are "her people". She will be back to Virginia and Appomattox in 1980 when she will retire.

In talking about her four months' leave Hazel said one of the highlights was her visits to Mt. Shiloh Baptist Church where she was priviledged to be guest speaker on two occasions. "The same love of the Lord, love of music and exceptional sense of rhythm was found here as with my Christian friends of Nigeria."

It was in 1970 that Hazel was awarded a Distinguished Alumni Award from Ferrum College in recognition of her services to the church. Appomattox County is proud that Hazel listened when God called and had the courage to follow through. To quote Hazel, "Be sure you are in God's will, and He'll open the way."

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Music Evangelist At Liberty

Sunday evening, July 3, is a very special night at Liberty Baptist Church in Appomattox. Music Evangelist Patsy Sewell of Dallas, Texas will be singing and sharing her testimony. Stan Knowles of the Southern Baptist Radio and T. V. Commission and producer of the Baptist Hour radio broadcast said, "Though thoroughly trained musically, she sings from the heart! Her voice, totally dedicated to God, communicates. Her testimony is thrilling....In a world of tin-foil promises and egg-shell guarantees, what a privilege to know someone who's really "for real."

Once destined for a broadway career, Patsy chose to be a housewife and mother. Happily married, she is the mother of two lovely children, Jimmy and Jamie Love. This radiant Christian girl truly sings a "new song unto the Lord."

The public is invited to hear and experience this hour of worship in music and testimony at 7:30 p.m. this Sunday.

Barnes Completes Course

William Donald Barnes of Spout Spring, a central office repairman at the Appomattox office of Continental Telephone of Virginia, has completed a specialized course in transmission and carrier theory at the Continental Telephone System Training Center near Amherst, Virginia.

The two week course familiarizes the craftsman with both the theory and practical applications of how local and long distance calls are transmitted. He learns about the various methods and techniques used in transmitting the toll call, what is required to service and maintain the toll call routing equipment, and how to perform transmission tests and analyze their results.

Barnes has been with the Continental System since February, 1961.

RYLAND G. DAVIS REENLISTS IN ARMY

OKINAWA, JAPAN - June 20 - Specialist Four Ryland G. Davis, son of Mrs. Gertrude Davis, Rt. 1, Appomattox, recently reenlisted in the Army while serving with the U.S. Army Field Station on Okinawa, Japan.

Spec. Davis, a traffic analyst with the station, entered the Army in June 1974.

The specialist is a 1974 graduate of Appomattox County High School.

GLADSTONE

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Carmody and Mike visited Mr. and Mrs. Troy Harris and Mr. and Mrs. Allen Carmody in Chespeake recently.

Mrs. Minnie Lytlle, of Amherst, spent the week end in the home of her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Jobe, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Moore and family spent this week at KOA campgrounds.

We are sorry to hear Mrs. Mary Fannie Phelps is a patient in the University of Virginia Hospital in Charlottesville. We hope she will soon recover.

We welcome Mrs. Milton Hunter, who has just moved into our community from Brookneal.

We are so sorry to hear Mr. Emmett Bolton is a patient in Lynchburg General Hospital. We hope he will soon recover.

Mr. and Mrs. Burke Smoot visited her sister, Mrs. Julia Brown, in Lynchburg last week.

We are so sorry to hear that Mr. James Kearns had a fall and broke his hip. We hope he may soon feel better & also Mr. John Hesson is in Lynchburg General Hopsital with a broken hip. You may send cars to Mr. Kearns and Mr. Hesson, c/o Lynchburg General Hospital.

The WMS of Gladstone Memorial Church will have their monthly meeting with Edna Spiggle on Tuesday at 2 o'clock.

Visiting Mrs. John Spiggle on Sunday was Mr. and Mrs. Norman Snyder and Amil, Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Tucker, Gina and David, Mr. George Brown and G. E., Mrs. Julia Brown, all from Lynchburg.

Kelley Smoot, of Lynchburg, is spending this week in the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Burke Smoot.

BECKHAM

BECKHAM- June 23 - Mr. and Mrs. David Pretchel of Cleveland, Ohio spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Tom Schmutz and family.

Shannon Jamerson spent the weekend with her grandmother Mrs. Gertrude Burge. She visited Mrs. Charles Tweedy Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Eural Martin and Don of Lynchburg visited Mr. H. O. Martin Saturday, also Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Martin.

Mr. Timmy Moore is spending this week with Mr. and Mrs. Larry Stallings and family of Belvidue, N. C.

Mrs. Stoner Oglisby, Mrs. Nancy Peters and Bryon Peters visited Mr. and Mrs. Alfred C. Martin and boys Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. James Dowdy Jr. of Lynchburg were supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Martin recently.

Miss Eunice Martin is spending this week with Mrs. Josephine Duncan and family of Martinsville.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Moore visited Mrs. Herbert Moore Sunday afternoon.

Kim Drinkard and Tony Drinkard are spending this week with Mr. and Mrs. Howlett Drinkard and Donald Lee Drinkard.

Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Martin were Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Martin, Jr., Mrs. Alfred Martin and bys. Karen and Crystal Carter, Mrs. Connie Reynolds and Tammy Martin, Mrs. Sonny Carter and Mrs. Geraldine Moore visited in the afternoon.

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I should point out that often minimum requirements will not protect you adequately in accidents involving personal injury. Court judgements in excess of $100,000 are not uncommon. Even in No-Fault states, law suits are usually allowable in cases of serious accident or death. So always consider having more than the required minimum in these areas.

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